

USDA Rural Housing Service—Housing Preservation Grants (HPG)	
Type	Housing preservation
Potential for Funding	FY'06 \$10,497,716 available for grants. \$594,000 has been earmarked for grants in Empowerment zones, Enterprise communities, and REAP Zones. Please note FY for USDA is October 1-September 30.
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Program Mission/ Focus	To repair or rehabilitate individual housing, rental properties, or co-ops owned and/or occupied by low-and very low-income rural persons. Very low income is defined as below 50% of the area median income. Low income is defined as between 50-80% of area median income.
Program Area	Rural Housing Service
Available Grants	Grant funds are to be combined with other programs or funds to be used as loans, grants, or subsidies for recipient households based on a plan contained in Grantee's application. Funds must be used within a 2 year period. Approximately \$10.5 million is available, and within that amount a portion is allocated to each State.
Application Deadline	Contact local Rural Development State Office for the application packet and to find out State allocation of funds.
Eligibility Requirements	Applicant must be a qualified public agency, state and local governments, nonprofit organization and other eligible entities that serve very low and low-income homeowners in rehabilitating or repairing their homes in rural areas.
Application Process (grant guidelines)	All applications must meet the requirements of 7 CFR 1944, subpart N. Also see Federal Register published March 20, 2006 for complete application guidance.